

Ice Fishing in the C&O Canal

- **A person may fish through the ice in any non-tidal waters of the State during the lawful open season if an angler's license first is obtained. MD Code §4-604(b)**
- **A person may not cut a hole through the ice measuring more than 10 inches in any direction for the purpose of ice fishing. MD Code § 4-602 08.02.11.04C(2)**
- **All tip ups and rods used by a person engaged in ice fishing shall be under the immediate control of the person. MD Code § 4-602 08.02.11.04C(4)**
- **No more than 2 hooks or 2 hook units per line. MD Code § 4-617(a)**
- **When ice fishing, no more than 5 tip ups or rods may be used. MD Code §4-602 08.02.11.04C(3)**
- **It is illegal to operate portable engines or Power Augers. 36 CFR §2.12(a)(3)**
- **It is illegal to build fires along the shoreline or on the ice. 36 CFR §2.13(a)(1)**

All violations are punishable by fines and/or jail.